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HOUSE BILL 2222

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By Representatives Hackney, Rule, Hutchins, and Cheney

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1 AN ACT Relating to updating the endangerment with a controlled  
2 substance statute; and amending RCW 9A.42.100.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.42.100 and 2005 c 218 s 4 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 (1) A person is guilty of the crime of endangerment with a  
7 controlled substance if the person knowingly or intentionally permits  
8 a dependent child or dependent adult to be exposed to, ingest,  
9 inhale, or have contact with ((methamphetamine)):

10 (a) Fentanyl or synthetic opioids, or the smoke of a substance  
11 that the person knows, or reasonably should know, contains, or is  
12 contaminated with, fentanyl or synthetic opioids, excepting  
13 medications administered or provided during the delivery of health  
14 care services or pursuant to a valid prescription; or

15 (b) Methamphetamine or ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or anhydrous  
16 ammonia, including their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers, that  
17 are being used in the manufacture of methamphetamine, including its  
18 salts, isomers, and salts of isomers.

19 (2) The department of children, youth, and families and any  
20 employees, interns, volunteers, or contractors of the department

1 acting in the scope of their role are exempt from any criminal  
2 liability within this section.

3 (3) Endangerment with a controlled substance is a class B felony.

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